

**Amendments to the Claims:**

A clean version of the entire set of pending claims, including amendments thereto, is submitted herewith per 37 CFR 1.121(c)(3). This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method [[of]] performed by a processor for defining entry points in an incoming data stream, the method comprising the steps of

(a) the processor generating an entry point table;

(b) the processor defining a first interval;

(c) the processor defining entry points in the incoming data stream, in which the entry points are defined at an equal distance from each other, equal to the first interval;

(d) the processor storing the defined entry points in the entry point table;

(e) the processor increasing the first interval between the entry points to a second interval in response to the size of the entry point table exceeding a set size; and

(f) the processor determining new entry points having a mutual distance which is equal to that of the second interval in response to the size of the entry point table exceeding a set size.

2. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first interval and the second interval are time intervals.

3. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second interval is chosen to be twice as large as the first interval.

4. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the maximum size of the entry point table is defined by a number of entry points in the entry point table.

5. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the maximum size of the entry point table is defined by its total size in bytes.

6. (Currently Amended) A method [[of]] performed by a processor for splitting up a first data stream into a second data stream comprising the start of the first data stream, and a third data stream comprising the end of the first data stream, wherein a first entry point table incorporating a first group of entry points is defined for the first data stream by means of the method as claimed in claim 1, the method comprising the steps of:

(a) the processor selecting a second group of entry points from the first group of entry points, in which the second group of entry points refers to locations in the second data stream;

(b) the processor forming a second entry point table comprising the second group of entry points;

(c) the processor selecting a third group of entry points from the first group of entry points, in which the third group of entry points refers to locations in the third data stream;

(d) the processor forming a third entry point table comprising the third group of entry points;

(e) the processor determining an interval between the start of the third stream of audiovisual information and a first entry point of the third data stream; and

(f) the processor storing the interval, determined in the previous step, in the third entry point table.

7. (Currently Amended) A method of combining a first data stream and a second data stream to a third data stream, wherein entry points are defined for each stream by means of the method as claimed in claim 1, the method comprising the step of the processor combining:

(a) a first entry point table, associated with the first data stream, and

(b) a second entry point table, associated with the second data stream, for forming a third entry point table associated with the third data stream.

8. (Currently Amended) A record carrier comprising one of an optical storage device, a hard disk, and a memory device, having stored therein a data stream, wherein the data stream comprises entry points as defined by the method as claimed in claim 1.

9. (Currently Amended) A record carrier comprising one of an optical storage device, a hard disk, and a memory device, having stored therein computer-readable and executable instructions, wherein the instructions, when executed by a processor, enable the computer cause the processor to perform the method as claimed in claim 1.

10. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, adapted to define entry points in an incoming data stream, the apparatus being further adapted to comprising:

a memory; and

a processor connected to the memory and programmed to execute an algorithm that:

\_\_\_\_\_ (a) generate-generates an entry point table;

\_\_\_\_\_ (b) define-defines a first interval;

\_\_\_\_\_ (c) define-defines entry points in [[the]]an incoming data stream, in which [[the]] entry points are defined at an equal distance from each other, equal to the first interval;

\_\_\_\_\_ (d) store-stores the defined entry points in the entry point table;

\_\_\_\_\_ (e) increase-increases the first interval between the entry points to a second interval in response to the size of the entry point table exceeding a set size; and[[,]]

\_\_\_\_\_ (f) determine-determines new entry points having a mutual distance which is equal to that of the second predetermined interval in response to the size of the entry point table exceeding a set size.

11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for reproducing information, the apparatus being adapted to comprising:

\_\_\_\_\_ a memory; and  
\_\_\_\_\_ a processor connected to the memory and programmed to execute an algorithm that:

- (a) read-reads a data stream from a record carrier as claimed in claim 8; and
- (b) reproduce-reproduces the information which has been read.